Ms. Pearl Barden has built a family on the cornerstone of love and kindness and is valued in her community. Please join me in wishing her a very happy ninetieth birthday.

CELEBRATING ALFRED BURGREEN'S 101ST BIRTHDAY

## HON. MAX ROSE

OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, August 11, 2020

Mr. ROSE of New York. Madam Speaker, I ask all of my colleagues to join me today in extending our best wishes for my constituent, Mr. Alfred Burgreen, for his 101st birthday. The son of European immigrants, Alfred was born in New York City on August 15, 1919. He lived through the Great Depression and went on to serve in the 82nd Airborne where he helped liberate Europe from the Nazis.

After he was wounded during the invasion of Sicily, Mr. Burgreen returned home, married Shirley Feldman, and attended Columbia University under the G.I. bill. He continued to dedicate his life to civil service and to raising a family of three children, six grandchildren, and six great grandchildren. His children describe him as an inveterate letter writer and a gracious host who is always willing to reach out and offer a friendly ear or some words of wisdom—including the three most important lessons he passed on to his children: be empathetic, get an education, and always root for the Mets.

Now, for the past 40 years, Mr. Burgreen has lived in Brooklyn surrounded by his incredibly loving support system. He's the oldest surviving member of the 82nd Airborne, a unit that he still continues to support to this day. Just a few years ago, a professor reached out to Mr. Burgreen asking for help writing his history of the 82nd Airborne. Not only did Alfred provide everything he'd kept from his days in the Army—photos, rosters, you name it—but he actually provided details about three soldiers who were listed as Missing in Action, details that might help the Army investigate and give closure to the families.

This is just one example of Alfred Burgreen's incredible compassion and ability to keep people connected. So once again, I ask all of my colleagues to join me today in thanking Mr. Alfred Burgreen for his service to our nation and in wishing this hero not just a happy 101st birthday, but many more to come.

HONORING THE FRONTLINE EM-PLOYEES OF GLENS FALLS HOS-PITAL FOR THEIR HEROIC WORK THROUGHOUT THE COVID-19 PAN-DEMIC

## HON. ELISE M. STEFANIK

OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, August 11, 2020

Ms. STEFANIK. Madam Speaker, I rise today to honor the frontline employees of Glens Falls Hospital for their heroic work throughout the COVID-19 pandemic.

Working in the healthcare industry comes with a number of risks, even in the best of times. The frontline healthcare workers at

Glens Falls Hospital, who went to work each day throughout this pandemic, did so despite those risks to help their patients and the community. They have placed the health of strangers before thoughts of themselves time and time again, sacrificing time spent with their own families to care for others. This pandemic is truly an unprecedented event and each of these frontline workers have risen to the challenge, meeting the situation with great courage and tenacity. They deserve our utmost thanks and respect.

Throughout these difficult months, ensuring that the hospital has the necessary funds and supplies to combat the pandemic has been of the utmost importance to me. The Glens Falls Hospital has received over \$44 million in direct aid so that they can continue to serve the residents of the greater Glens Falls area, fully equipped to protect themselves and others. Their professionalism and expertise in handling this crisis is a model for others. The number of Coronavirus patients has been relatively low in the North Country, thanks in part to the quick response and extraordinary steps that hospital administration and staff have taken to limit the spread.

On behalf of New York's 21st Congressional district, I want to thank the frontline healthcare workers of Glens Falls Hospital for their courage and professionalism throughout this crisis. The entire community is indebted to them and I will continue to advocate for them as their Representative in Congress.

# RECOGNIZING THE LIFE OF DEPUTY DYLAN PICKLE

## HON. TRENT KELLY

OF MISSISSIPPI

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, August 11, 2020

Mr. KELLY of Mississippi. Madam Speaker, I rise today to celebrate the life of Deputy Dylan Pickle, who passed away on Sunday, July 26, while conducting a safety checkpoint.

Dylan was born on July 2, 1996, in Amory, Mississippi. At four years old, Dylan knew he wanted to wear a badge. After graduating from Amory High School, Dylan began to make that badge a reality. He pursued a degree in Criminal Justice at Itawamba Community College and joined the Army at only 17.

Joining the Army was only the beginning for Dylan. He earned a medal at Quantico and would later receive three more for his heroism in Syria, where he served as a Specialist, becoming known for his leadership and his care for others. In 2016, Dylan brought his passion for serving home and began working with the Monroe County Sheriff's Department as a patrol deputy.

Outside of his patrol duties, Dylan was a member of the First United Methodist Church. A momma's boy, Dylan always made time for his family, especially his niece and nephews, whom he adored and spoiled whenever he could. Although serving his country was his passion, he also enjoyed going to the shooting range, collecting guns, listening to country music, and of course, socializing with his friends.

Deputy Dylan Pickle's life was one of service, grace, and love for his family and community. He will be greatly missed by all whom he encountered.

Left to cherish his memory is mother, Debi Pearson; sister, Kristin Vuncannon; brother, Drew Pickle; step-sister, Kayla Pearson; as well as many other friends and extended family members.

 $\begin{array}{c} \text{HONORING GERALDINE GONZALES-} \\ \text{ROMERO} \end{array}$ 

#### HON. JOE NEGUSE

OF COLORADO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, August 11, 2020

Mr. NEGUSE. Madam Speaker, the country has lost a beloved community member in Denver, a matriarch of the Chicano Movement.

Geraldine Gonzales-Romero, known as Jerry, was born in Brighton, Colorado in 1931, and married Rudolfo Corky Gonzales in 1949. Jerry was part of the Romero family, one of the oldest families in the San Luis Valley, an area of Colorado from which my own wife's family originates. Jerry and Corky had eight children, 19 grandchildren and 26 great grand-children, many of whom have followed in the footsteps of Jerry and Corky with their own advocacy, activism, and public service.

A true American hero, Jerry was a giant whose sacrifices and relentless pursuit of equality paved the road for so many of us who stand here now. Commemorations of her family include the Rodolfo "Corky" Gonzales branch of Denver Public Library which opened 2015.

As a nation we once again find ourselves in a critical moment in the struggle for equity and justice, and it is people like Jerry Gonzales-Romero who inspire us with her life-long work on behalf of her community.

I thank Ms. Gonzales-Romero for her endearing spirit and example.

## PERSONAL EXPLANATION

# HON. ADAM KINZINGER

OF ILLINOIS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, August 11, 2020

Mr. KINZINGER. Madam Speaker, I was unable to be present to cast votes on July 27, 30, and 31. Had I been present, I would have voted: YEA on Roll Call No. 167; NAY on Roll Call No. 173; NAY on Roll Call No. 174; NAY on Roll Call No. 175; NAY on Roll Call No. 176; YEA on Roll Call No. 177; and NAY on Roll Call No. 178.

IN RECOGNITION OF THE RETIREMENT OF DAVID FORD

## HON. MIKE ROGERS

OF ALABAMA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES Tuesday, August 11, 2020

Mr. ROGERS of Alabama. Madam Speaker, I ask for the House's attention to recognize the retirement of David Ford.

David recently announced his retirement from Berman Museum of World History in Anniston, Alabama, after serving as assistant director for the past 13 years.

He is a 1970 graduate of Anniston High School and was a member of the last class to